PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Docket No: Q87428

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For: DENITRATION CATALYST MANAGEMENT METHOD AND DENITRATION

CATALYST MANAGEMENT DEVICE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2009, please consider the following remarks that appear on the accompanying pages. An RCE has been filed such that the application now is subject to further examination.

REMARKS

Claims 23-44 are pending in the application. Claims 29-39 and 44 are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 23-28 and 40-43 are rejected.

Relevant History of Current Prosecution

The present application is subject to a final rejection dated May 19, 2009. Applicants responded to the final rejection and amended the specification and claims 23-44 in a paper filed on August 19, 2009.

In an Advisory Action dated August 25, 2009, the Examiner <u>entered the amendment</u> but identified additional issues that were asserted to prevent the amended claims from being allowed. Applicants responded to each of the Examiner's points in a supplemental submission on